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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

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**For:** VACCINE COMPRISING  
ANTIGENS BOUND TO CARRIERS  
THROUGH LABILE BONDS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the above referenced application as indicated below:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

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DL In claim 3, line 1 please delete "or 2".

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DL 5. (Amended) A vaccine according to [any one of claims 1-4] claim 1 in which the fatty acid is palmitic acid.